

2010 United States Mint America the Beautiful Quarters Silver Proof Set™ Available May 27

First five quarters in new program available in one set in 90 percent silver

WASHINGTON - The United States Mint today announced the release of the 2010 United States Mint America the Beautiful Quarters Silver Proof Set on May 27 at noon Eastern Time (ET). The set, priced at \$32.95 each, contains proof versions of the commemorative quarters honoring **Hot Springs National Park** in Arkansas; **Yellowstone National Park** in Wyoming; **Yosemite National Park** in California; **Grand Canyon National Park** in Arizona; and **Mount Hood National Forest** in Oregon. Each quarter is struck in lustrous 90 percent silver.

Proof coins are produced at the United States Mint at San Francisco, using specially prepared, highly polished dies. Specially treated coin blanks are struck multiple times to ensure the finest detail in a frosted cameo image on a brilliant, mirror-like background. The coins-each bearing the "S" mint mark for San Francisco-are sealed in a protective lens and accompanied by a Certificate of Authenticity signed by the Director of the United States Mint.

Customers may purchase the 2010 United States Mint America the Beautiful Quarters Silver Proof Set at the secure Web site, <http://www.usmint.gov/catalog>, or at the toll-free number 1-800-USA-MINT (872-6468). Hearing- and speech-impaired customers may order by calling 1-888-321-MINT (6468). Please add a \$4.95 shipping and handling fee to all domestic orders.

Customers who want to receive automatic shipments of the United States Mint America the Beautiful Quarters Silver Proof Set each year may enroll in the Online Subscription Program. To learn more about this convenient shopping method, visit <http://www.usmint.gov/catalog>.

The United States Mint, created by Congress in 1792, is the Nation's sole manufacturer of legal tender coinage. Its primary mission is to produce an adequate volume of circulating coinage for the Nation to conduct its trade and commerce. The United States Mint also produces proof, uncirculated and commemorative coins; Congressional Gold Medals; and silver, gold and platinum bullion coins.

Note: To ensure that all members of the public have fair and equal access to United States Mint products, orders placed prior to the official on-sale date and time of May 27, 2010, noon ET, shall not be deemed accepted by the United States Mint and will not be honored. For more information, please review the United States Mint's Frequently Asked Questions, Answer ID #175.

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